

A Service of Thanksgiving for Her Majesty the Queen

*In the presence
of*
The Lord Lieutenant of
Greater Manchester
The High Sheriff of Greater Manchester
The Lord Mayor of Manchester



**Sunday 18 September 2022
2.30 pm**



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Welcome to Manchester Cathedral

Welcome to the Cathedral and Collegiate Church of St Mary, St Denys and St George in the heart of the City of Manchester. The building is the old mediaeval parish Church of Manchester. King Henry V first granted it Collegiate status in 1421 and it became Manchester's Cathedral on the creation of the Diocese of Manchester in 1847. It is believed that there has been a church on or near this site for over a thousand years.

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Photography

Please do not use cameras, photo-imaging devices or recording equipment during the service.

Musicians

The Cathedral Choir is conducted by Christopher Stokes,
Organist and Master of the Choristers.

The organ is played by Geoffrey Woollatt, Sub-Organist.

About this service

All of us gather at this time of national mourning to give thanks for the life of Queen Elizabeth and for her long reign as Monarch and Supreme Governor of the Church of England. The Cathedral welcomes the Lord Lieutenant, Deputy Lieutenants, High Sheriff, Mayors from across Greater Manchester and other dignitaries here with us to mark this sad occasion.

Large-print copies of this booklet are also available.

Music before the service

Solemn Melody

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier, BWV 731

Elegy

Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941)

J S Bach (1685-1750)

George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

BEFORE THIS SERVICE

Before the service, the congregation is invited to pray for the Royal Family.

The Cathedral Bell Ringers will ring a quarter peal, to commemorate the life of Her Late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II

Immediately prior to the service, all stand

Mayors of Greater Manchester, The Lord Mayor of Manchester, The High Sheriff of Greater Manchester and The Lord Lieutenant of Manchester are conducted to their seats.

All then sit

Introit

sung by the Choir

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts;
shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayers;
but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty,
O holy and most merciful Saviour,
thou most worthy judge eternal,
suffer us not at our last hour, for any pains of death,
to fall from thee. Amen.

Henry Purcell (1659-95)

Burial Service, Book of Common Prayer

After the Introit there is a moment for silent reflection and then please stand for

The Processional Hymn

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same for ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him!
Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him;
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace.

Praise, My Soul NEH 436
John Goss (1800-80)

H F Lyte (1793-1847)

Please remain standing

Welcome

The Very Revd Rogers Govender
Dean of Manchester

Dear Friends in Christ, we are gathered here today in love and sadness as we come to give thanks for the life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and to pray for her soul and for the Royal Family. We place before God her outstanding service to this Nation, the Commonwealth and to the Church. In this service, then, let us offer thanks to our heavenly Father for her example of duty and commitment, her leadership and wisdom and her faithfulness and loyalty to God which we have witnessed through her life.

And so let us pray

All **Our Father which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Dean Father in heaven,
we give you thanks for your servant Queen Elizabeth.
We praise you as we remember her long life and cherish her
memory.
We offer our gratitude for all she brought to our
Commonwealth and Nation and for all whose lives she
touched.
For we have seen in her devoted service, reflections of your
compassion; in her integrity demonstrations of your goodness;
in her faithfulness, glimpses of your eternal love.
Give us grace to follow her good example
so that we may come with her to your everlasting kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who died and rose again
and opened the gate of glory.
To him be praise now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit

Psalm 121

sung by the Choir
Henry Walford Davies

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills:
from whence cometh my help.
My help cometh even from the Lord:
who hath made heaven and earth.
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved:
and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
Behold, he that keepeth Israel:
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord himself is thy keeper:
the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;
So that the sun shall not burn thee by day:
neither the moon by night.
The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil:
yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in:
from this time forth for evermore.

Please stand

Glory be to the Father:
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

Please sit

The First Lesson

Wisdom of Solomon 3. 1-5, 9
read by The Lord Mayor of Manchester,
Councillor Donna Ludford

A reading from the Wisdom of Solomon.

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and no torment will ever touch them.
In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,
and their going from us to be their destruction;
but they are at peace.
For though in the sight of others they were punished,
their hope is full of immortality.
Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,
because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;
those who trust in him will understand truth,
and the faithful will abide with him in love,
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,
and he watches over his elect.

Here ends the first lesson.

Please stand

Hymn

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
Thy unction, grace bestoweth:
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house for ever.

Dominus Regit Me NEH 457ii
J B Dykes (1823-76)

H W Baker (1821-77)

Please sit

The Second Lesson

Revelation 21. 1-6
read by Diane Hawkins, DL JP
The Lord Lieutenant of Manchester

A reading from the Revelation of St John.

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

'See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

Here ends the second lesson.

Please remain seated

Sermon

The Right Reverend Dr David Walker
Lord Bishop of Manchester

Anthem

sung by the Choir

How lovely are Thy dwellings fair, O Lord of Hosts.
My soul ever longeth and fainteth sore for the blest courts of
the Lord:
My heart and flesh do cry to the living God.
O blest are they that in Thy house are dwelling:
They ever praise Thee, O Lord, for evermore.

Johannes Brahms (1833-97)

Psalm 84. 1, 2, 4

*Candles will be lit by members of our Interfaith Community in memory of
Her Majesty the Queen and to pray for King Charles III and the Royal Family.*

Mr Mark Adlestone, Chair of the JRC - Member of the Jewish Community.

Cllr Naeem Hassan - Member of the Muslim Community.

Dr Saraswati Sinha - Member of the Hindu Community.

Mr Sukhbir Singh - Member of the Sikh Community.

Mrs Lorraine Christine Worsley-Carter MBE DL - The High Sheriff of
Greater Manchester - Member of the Christian Community.

Prayers of Intercession

led by The Dean

Let us pray

Jesus said, 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted'.

Let us pray for all of the Royal Family.

God of all life,
in the mystery of your eternal purpose
you give and yet you take away.
Surround the members of the Royal Family
and all bereaved with your love.

Give them faith and hope in this dark time,
and strengthen them for the days that lie ahead.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Saviour,
the resurrection and the life.

All **Amen.**

Jesus said, 'I am the way, the truth and the life'.
Let us pray for our nation: for those responsible for its good
governance and for those who shape and influence the values
by which we live.

Sovereign God,
the defence of those who trust in you
and the strength of those who suffer:
look with mercy on our nation at this time,
and help us to trust in your Son, Jesus Christ.

Give wisdom to those who govern us,
and to all who work in the media
and who influence public opinion;
for we look to him who is our truth and our light,
Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All **Amen.**

Jesus said, 'Blessed are the poor, for theirs is the kingdom of God'.

Let us pray for the organisations of which The Queen was
Patron,
and for those whom she served through her charitable work.

Merciful God,
you have compassion on all that you have made
and your whole creation is enfolded in your love:
help us to stand firm for your truth,
to struggle against poverty and oppression,
and to share your love with our neighbour,
that we may be instruments of your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All **Amen.**

Jesus said, 'I am the light of the world'.
Let us pray for ourselves, and for all who mourn the death of
loved ones.

Be present, Spirit of the living God,
and renew us in our pain and grief,
so that we, who are wearied by the changes and chances
of this fleeting world,
may rest on your eternal changelessness
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life'.
Let us give thanks for the sure hope of eternal life offered to
us in Christ.

Blessed are you, O Christ!
In your hand are all our yesterdays and today's;
You are the beginning and the end,
Alpha and Omega;
all time belongs to you, and all ages;
you hold the keys of life and death,
in hope for all your people;
thanks be to you for the gift of life,
and for the promise of eternal life;
to you be glory and praise,
through every age and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please stand

Hymn

The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended,
the darkness falls at thy behest;
to thee our morning hymns ascended,
thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

We thank thee that thy Church unsleeping,
while earth rolls onward into light,
through all the world her watch is keeping,
and rests not now by day or night.

As o'er each continent and island
the dawn leads on another day,
the voice of prayer is never silent,
nor dies the strain of praise away.

The sun that bids us rest is waking
our brethren 'neath the western sky,
and hour by hour fresh lips are making
thy wondrous doings heard on high.

So be it, Lord; thy throne shall never,
like earth's proud empires, pass away;
thy kingdom stands, and grows for ever,
till all thy creatures own thy sway.

St. Clement NEH 252
Clement Scholefield (1839-1904)

John Ellerton (1826-93)

Please remain standing

Prayer of Commendation

The Right Reverend Dr David Walker
Lord Bishop of Manchester

Faced with the mystery of death, we are drawn to silence. I invite you to reflect with thanksgiving on the life of Her Late Majesty the Queen, and to commend her to the mercy and peace of God.

Silence follows

Rest eternal grant to her O Lord:

All and let light perpetual shine upon her.

We remain standing

Nunc Dimittis

sung by the Choir

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:
according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation;
which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end.

Amen.

Service in G, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Prayer

The Right Reverend Dr David Walker
Lord Bishop of Manchester

Eternal God

yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory.

We thank you for the life and service of Her Late Majesty,
Queen Elizabeth, whose passing we mourn.

As we honour her memory and commend her to your care,
be with our nation in its loss,

and help us to be faithful to your royal call to service;
through Jesus Christ who died for us,
and now lives in your eternal and glorious kingdom.

All

Amen.

The Blessing

The Right Reverend Dr David Walker
Lord Bishop of Manchester

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord
Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of
the eternal covenant,

make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the
Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always.

All

Amen.

The National Anthem

God save our gracious King,
long live our noble King,
God save the King!
Send him victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us;
God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store
on him be pleased to pour,
long may he reign:
May he defend our laws,
and ever give us cause
to sing with heart and voice,
God save the King!

*Origin obscure. Popularised 1745 by the setting
by Thomas Arne (1710-78)
Arranged by Gordon Jacob*

Anon

At the end, all remain standing as the Procession leaves the Cathedral with the Lord Lieutenant of Manchester, High Sheriff of Greater Manchester, the Lord Mayor of Manchester and other Mayors who are conducted by the Dean and Clergy to the West Doors.

Organ Voluntary

Prelude and Fugue in E flat, BWV 552

J S Bach

*Please take this order of service away with you to reflect upon the readings,
music and prayers, and as a reminder of your visit today.
Please keep the Royal Family in your Prayers.*

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